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In re:

Hayashizaki

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For:

METHOD OF UTILIZING THE 5' END OF TRANSCRIBED NUCLEIC

ACID REGIONS FOR CLONING AND ANALYSIS

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS FOR PATENT APPLICATIONS CONTAINING NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE AND/OR AMINO ACID SEQUENCE DISCLOSURES

Sir:

In response to the Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures included on page 3 of the Office Action mailed October 4, 2006, please replace the paper copy of the sequence listing and the computer-readable form as originally filed in the present application with the attached substitute sequence listing and the substitute computerreadable form of the substitute sequence listing submitted concurrently herewith.

The Examiner has indicated that the application fails to comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.821 through 1.825 because sequence identifiers are missing from various pages of the application and from Figures 4-6. Applicants have amended the sequence listing to include the nucleotide sequences disclosed on these relevant pages and in Figures 4-6 and that were inadvertently omitted from the originally filed sequence listing. Specifically, SEQ ID NOs:78-119 have been added to the sequence listing. Furthermore, the sequence identifier information for the added sequences has been incorporated into the specification and into the descriptions of Figures 4-6 by the Amendment submitted herewith. No amendments to the sequences disclosed in the application have been made. Because these sequences were included as

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part of the application as originally filed, it is submitted that the amendments, made in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.825(a), included in the substitute sequence listing do not constitute new matter.

I hereby state that the substitute copy of the computer-readable form, submitted in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.825(b), is the same as the amended sequence listing on paper.

Respectfully submitted,

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